- Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 204A.14, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:
- 204A.14 CLERKS, ELECTION SUPPLIES, DUTIES. Subdivision 1.

 INSTRUCTION MEETINGS FOR ELECTION OFFICIALS. Before each state statewide primary election, the auditor of each county shall conduct a program of in service training for local election officials, and for this purpose may require the clerks of the municipalities and the chairmen of the several election boards within the county to meet with him at the time the clerks are required to secure the election supplies from him; and. The auditor shall conduct the meeting in such manner as he deems proper to instruct the clerks and chairmen of the several election boards as to election procedures including, but not to be restricted to, duties of municipal clerks and election judges. The expenses incidental to attending the meeting an in service training program with the county auditor shall be borne by the municipalities.
- Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Chapter 204A, is amended by adding a section to read:
- [204A.175] TRAINING FOR ELECTION JUDGES; DUTIES OF THE COUNTY AUDITOR. The county auditor of each county shall train all election judges who are appointed to serve at any election to be held in the county. The county auditor may delegate to a municipal election official the duties to train election judges for any municipality.
- Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 204A.34, Subdivision 2, as amended by Laws 1977, Chapter 88, Section 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. DISABLED VOTER, ASSISTANCE. Any person who is unable to enter a polling place which uses paper ballots may register and vote without leaving his vehicle. Two judges, who are not members of the same political party, shall assist a voter who is unable to enter the polling place to register and to complete a voter's certificate, and shall provide him with the necessary ballots. The voter may request additional assistance in marking his ballots as provided in subdivision 1. In other polling places, two judges, who are not members of the same political party, shall assist a disabled voter who is at the entry of the polling place. A person who is intoxicated may not vote.

Approved May 27, 1977.

CHAPTER 309-S.F.No.321

An act relating to health; permitting certain nursing homes to require and accept certain payments from residents; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 256B.48, Subdivision 1.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 256B.48, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

- 256B.48 HEALTH; NURSING HOMES; MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS; CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION. Subdivision 1. No nursing home shall be eligible to receive medical assistance payments unless it agrees in writing that it will refrain from:
- (a) Charging nonmedical assistance residents rates for similar services which exceed by more than ten percent those rates which are approved by the state agency for medical assistance recipients; effective July 1, 1978, no nursing home shall be eligible for medical assistance if it charges nonmedical assistance recipients rates for similar services which exceed those which are approved by the state agency for medical assistance recipients; provided, however, that the nursing home may (1) charge nonmedical assistance residents a higher rate for a private room, and (2) charge for special services which are not included in the daily rate if medical assistance patients are charged separately at the same rate for the same services in addition to the daily rate paid by the state agency;
- (b) Requiring an applicant for admission to the home, or the guardian or conservator of the applicant, as a condition of admission, to pay an admission fee in excess of \$100, loan any money to the nursing home, or promise to leave all or part of the applicant's estate to the home; and
- (c) Requiring any resident of the nursing home to utilize a vendor of health care services who is a licensed physician or pharmacist chosen by the nursing home.

The prohibitions set forth in clause (b) shall not apply to a nonproprietary retirement home with more than 325 beds including at least 150 licensed nursing home beds and which contains an identifiable unit of fewer than 20 percent of the total number of facility beds to provide nursing care to the residents of the home:

- (1) is owned and operated by an organization tax-exempt under section 290.05, subdivision 1, clause (i); and
- (2) at the time of admission places all of the applicant's assets which are required to be assigned to the home in a trust account from which only expenses for the cost of care of the applicant may be deducted; and
- (3) agrees in writing at the time of admission to the home to permit the applicant, or his guardian, or conservator, to examine the records relating to the individual's trust account upon request, and to receive an audited statement of the expenditures from his individual account upon request; and
- (4) agrees in writing at the time of admission to the home to permit the applicant to withdraw from the home at any time and to receive, upon withdrawal, all of the unexpended funds remaining in his individual trust account: and
 - (5) was in compliance with provisions (1) through (4) as of June 30, 1976.
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Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This act is effective the day following final enactment.

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CHAPTER 310—S.F.No.381

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to game and fish; changing the commissioner's duties in the removal of beaver; authorizing seasons for taking bobcat, fisher, fox, and wild turkey; requiring the tagging of fisher; including the agent's fees within certain license fees; requiring the commissioner to issue sportsman's licenses; extending the season and eliminating the annual limit for taking beaver; changing the hours for taking trout; prohibiting the taking of pheasants between sunset and 9 a.m.; extending the surcharge on small game licenses; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 97.56; 98.46, Subdivisions 2, 2a, 14, and 21; 98.50, Subdivision 5; 100.26, Subdivision 1; 100.27, Subdivisions 1, 3, 4, 5, and 7; 100.28, Subdivision 1; 100.29, Subdivision 1; 101.42, Subdivision 8; Chapter 98, by adding a section; and Laws 1961, Chapter 66, Section 1, as amended; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 348.071.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 97.56, is amended to read:

- 97.56 GAME AND FISH; SEASONS AND LICENSES; REMOVAL OF BEAVER FROM STATE-OWNED LANDS. In any county in the state where the board of county commissioners shall have unanimously requested by resolution request him to do so, the commissioner of natural resources shall may take necessary steps to remove beaver, at state expense, from state owned lands located in that county.
 - Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 98.46, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:
 - Subd. 2. Fees for the following licenses, to be issued to residents only, shall be:
 - (1) To take small game, \$5;
- (2) To take deer or bear, or both, with firearms during the period in which the licensee may take deer, \$10;
- (3) To take deer or bear, or both, with bow and arrow during the period in which the licensee may take deer, \$10;
 - (4) To take fish by angling, \$5;
 - (5) Combination husband and wife, to take fish by angling, \$8;
- (6) To take moose, \$100 for an individual or for a party of not to exceed four

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